

TOLEDO ISLAMIC ACADEMY

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2025 ANNUAL HAJJ DAY

For TIA students, participating in our annual Hajj Day has become a right of passage expressed in the excitement of elementary students as they perform the manasek (or rites) of Hajj, and in the nostalgic stories told by our high school volunteers

Starting from Pre-School all the way through 5th grade. elementary students take part in a mock Hajj complete with ihram and passports, tawaf, sai'i between Al-Safa and Al-Marwa, standing at Arafat, throwing the jamarat, and symbolic gestures of hair cutting and sacrificial offerings.

As one of the five pillars of Islam, it is very important that our students understand the rituals of Hajj, and Hajj Day serves as a memorable hands-on learning experience for our young ones. Moreover, having our high school students return as volunteers to guide younger students through the manasek not only helps younger students, but reinforces core concepts for our older students as they help with the recitation of duaa' and the explanation of the deeper spiritual lessons associated with the manasek.

This year's Hajj Day was a wonderful success, Elhamdullah. Thank you to everyone who spent countless hours making this learning experience possible!

HIGHLIGHTS IN THIS EDITION

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SAVE THE DATE!



Don't forget to mark your calendars for these important dates and events:

- Mothers & Sons Outdoor Event (Tuesday, May 6th - 5:00- 6:30 pm, TIA Fields)
- Arab National Museum Field Trip Grades 10 12 (Wednesday, May 7th)
- Middle School Field Trip Sauder's Village (Thursday, May 8th)
- AP Exams
 - (May 6th May 16th)
- High School Cedar Point Trip (Thursday, May 15th)
- **Senior Graduation** (Saturday May 17th)
- Pre-School, KG, 5th, and 8th Grade Graduations (May 28th - May 29th)
- Memorial Day No Classes (Monday, May 26th)
- **High School Finals Week** (Tuesday - Thursday, May 27th - 29th)
- Last Day of Classes (Thursday May 29th)



































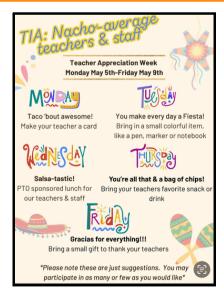


MOTHERS & SONS SPORTS NIGHT



The PTO has organized another lovely event aimed at building meaningful memories between parents and students. This Tuesday, May 6th, from 5:00 - 6:30 pm, PTO is hosting an outdoor sports night for elementary school boys and their moms. Mothers and sons will play fun games together like soccer, basketball, and more. Moms, If you have a son in grades Pre-School - 5th grade, be sure to come out and join in on the fun!

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK



For this year's Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week, the PTO has organized a fun Fiesta themed week full of appreciative gestures and activities. Participation, while voluntary, is a great way to show your teachers and staff just how much you appreciate all of their hard work!

TIA STUDENTS ATTEND UT ENGINEERING EXPO

TIA Juniors & Seniors recently had the opportunity to attend the University of Toledo's Engineering Expo. Gaining exposure to multiple fields of engineering, students were able to speak with Professors and college students regarding cutting edge technology and innovations across various fields. TIA is grateful for the opportunity afforded to our students by the University of Toledo's College of Engineering.













TIA STUDENT WINS BAR ASSOCIATION WRITING CONTEST



The Toledo Bar Association recently held a luncheon for the winners of the essay writing contest held in honor of Law Day. Writing on the theme of "The Constitution's Promise: Out of Many, One," Senior Samiha Tarabishi was amongst Toledo's High School Students who submitted a winning essay.

Congratulations, Samiha, on winning the Caty Armstrong Law Day Essay Contest! We are very proud of you and all of your distinguished accomplishments!

JUST BREATHE

TIA's 2025 Spirit Week was another success with students and staff alike showing their School Spirit all week long. Here's a few highlights from the week!

TIA SPIRIT WEEK





































(Top Left):
Teachers play a round of Musical Chairs.
(Top Right):
Abdulrahman Aji Suiting up for the Pep Rally.
(Bottom Left & Right):
Elementary students compete in the
cup stacking challenge.





TERRA NOVA TESTING & AP EXAM DATES

While State Testing has ended for grades 3 - 11, Elhamdullah, There are a number of scheduled tests coming up.

For Grades K - 2^{nd} , **Terra Nova** testing will be held the week of May 5^{th} - May 10^{th} .

For High School Students taking Advanced Placement Courses, please see the **AP Exam Schedule** provided below:

Date	Subject	Time
Tuesday, May 6	Chemistry	8:00
Friday, May 9	US History	8:00
Monday, May 12	Calculus AB	8:00
Wednesday, May 14	English Language	8:00
Friday, May 16	Physics 1	8:00

TIA STUDENTS RANK EXCELLENT & SUPERIOR AT OHIO ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

Congratulations to our Middle School Students who competed in the **Ohio Academy of Science 2025 Science Day.**

All of our participating students were ranked as either "Excellent" or "Superior." Congratulations - we are so very proud of you!!

TIA STUDENT RANKING

Toledo Islamic Academy,						
Lucas	Sunscreen and Ultraviolet rays	Excellent	safia	elsayed		
Toledo Islamic Academy,						
Lucas	Which Liquid Can Clean A Penny Best	Superior	Batoul	Abed		
Toledo Islamic Academy,	Bacterial Battlers: Which cleaning agent kills					
Lucas	the most bacteria?	Superior	Wiaam	Abdallah		
Toledo Islamic Academy,						
Lucas	Echo Accuracy	Superior	Adel	Awad		
Toledo Islamic Academy,						
Lucas	Acidic Fruits	Excellent	Hareem	Qureshi	Marya	Abuhaltam
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DID YOU KNOW?

The first time foldable, paper money was used was in China around the year 600 A.D. This early form of money originated as hand written notes that were treated as forms of credit or IOUs.

WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE CLASSROOM?









(Left Top & Bottom): KG Students learn about Math & Money through manipulatives.

(Top Right):

3rd Grade students problem solve by trying to figure out how to retrieve something from a sewer drain without opening it.

Top Middle): KG students learn about the values of coins through a fun game of Bingo.

(Right Bottom): 3rd Grade students work together to create a Bar Graph.